REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted preliminary to the issuance of an Office Action in the above identified application.

With the present Amendment, applicant has amended the specification to bring it compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Patent Practice.

The original claims have been canceled and replaced with a new set of claims including claims 24 and 39, the broadest apparatus and method claims as well as claims 25-38 which depend on claim 24 and claims 40-50 which depend on claim 39. The claims have been drafted in accordance with U.S. Patent Practice and in order to facilitate the examination.

Consideration and allowance of present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance,



then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Any costs involved should be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned (No. 19-4675). Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 212-687-5068).

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